## FREE SILVER AT CHICAGO.

THE MONEY PLANKS OF THE VARIOUS STATE AND TERRITORIAL PLATFORMS.

ESTIMATES OF THE STRENGTH OF THE RIVAL FACTIONS AT THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC

DECIDED IN THEIR PAVOR THEY

TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY.

cratic National Convention in Chicago approaches, two features of the situation which have been marked throughout the preliminary canvass become hourly more striking. The first is the bitterness and intensity of the fight over -silver coinage; the second, the absolute lack of pronounced preference on the part of any coniderable number of delegates for any particular candidate for the Presidency. In both respects the contrast with the Republican situation just teresting, but instructive and cheering. The Republican delegates went to St. Louis with both questions settled as far as they could be settled before the formal ballots. They had only to register the popular will, which had already picked out Major McKinley as standard bearer of the party, and declared with vigor and clearness in the various State platforms for the maintenance of the present gold standard and against the free coinage of silver at any ratio without international agreement. The Convention merely registered the verdict which had already been reached

In the case of the Democracy, nothing is settied a week ahead of the Convention except the fact that the advocates of the free and unlimited coinage of silver will be in a majority in that body. That fact, however, while it undoubtedly foreshadows the insertion of a free-silver plank in the platform, by no means assures the selection of a candidate in sympathy with the silver element of the party, owing to the requirement on the existence of this two-thirds rule that the "sound-money" element is basing its hopes of bringing about a straddle in the platform; for all hope of a gold declaration has long since vanished, in spite of Mr. Cleveland's most strenuous efforts and the rejentless putting on of screws through the medium of Federal office-holders.

RELATIVE STRENGTH BY STATES Conventions have now been held and platforms sclopted in all the States and Territories to be represented in Chicago except Alaska. Tribune herewith presents the declaratory planks tion. In most cases they are accompanied in the of the fifty States and Territories represented (Alaska not included) thirty-three have declared specifically for the free and unlimited coinage of both gold and sliver by the United States, regardless of the action of other nations; tive against such coinage, and two (Florida and the District of Columbia) have taken neither side two votes each to the Territories and the in the Convention will number 906, of which 694 is two-thirds. The thirty-three States and Territories which have declared for free sliver represent 562 votes; the fifteen against silver have 234 votes, and the two dodgers have ten votes,



Many of the States, particularly in the West and South, have instructed their delegates to vote as a unit, which in the silver States will undoubtedly result in the gain for silver of a few delegates who, if they were not so bound, would vote for sound money. But it does not follow that the converse proposition will hold good in the States which instructed against silver. There are already threats from the silver men in the Wisconsin and Minnesota delegations that they will refuse to be bound by the unit rule and will cast their votes for a silver platform and a silver candidate. In Michigan also the silver men are on a strike. Their present plan seems to be the mangulation of the party machinery to as to bring pulation of the party machiners to be the muni-ipulation of the party machiners so as to bring about the unseating of enough sound-money dele-gates to turn the delegation over to the silver ele-ment. If this plan is successful, the unit rule will ment. If this plan is successful, the unit rule will be enforced and the solid Michigan vote cast for free silver. In South bakota the silver men are loud in their charges that money, influence and trickery were used to defeat them and are threat-ening to make trouble at Chicago. On the other hand, the sound-money Democrats of Missouri, Nebraska and Texas, where the regu-lar party openizations came out for free silver.

lar party organizations came out for free silver, held separate conventions and will enter a pro-test at Chicago; but it is almost certain that they test at Chicago; but it is almost certain that they will fail to secure recognition before the Convention. At the same time, some votes will probably be obtained for silver in States which have declared against it in their platforms, but have not adopted the unit rule; and a few delegates from silver States may vote with the gold men. Then, the Territories are clamoring for six votes each instead of two, and as they would all vote for silver, it is probable that their demands will be heeded by the silver majority in making up the roll, thus adding twenty-four more votes the roll, thus adding twenty-four more votes the silver strength.

WITH ALL THE SILVER MEN SEATED. With all the contests decided in favor of silver, as they are likely to be, and with the silver men true to their threats to disregard the unit rule, a

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If by any possibility the gold men should suc Continued on Second Page.

### FILIBUSTERS LAND SAFELY.

AN EXPEDITION WITH ARMS AND MUNITIONS OF

Galveston, Tex., June 28.-Señor Perres, the local uban representative, has received the telegram, dated June 24, and signed by J. D. Peyo, "Richard Trebullo, with eighteen men, 400 Win-chesters, 50,000 cartridges, methehes and explosives, has landed in Cuba from Florida, Camilo Echarte, corresponent for 'The Gaiveston Tribune,' was among the men landed."

### A SERGEANT KILLED BY A PRIVATE.

THE MURDERER SHOT DOWN AT ONCE BY

Valentine, Neb., June 28.-Private Weaver, of Company C, Fort Niobrara, yesterday shot Sergeant Livingston, of Company D, without the least provocation and instantly killed him. Weaver, in turn, was shot by a guard, and soon died from his owneds. The affair occurred on the parade ground and caused the greatest excitement. Weaver was apparently under the influence of quor. He was instructed to give up his weapon, ut he refused, and began to fire promisenously, he sentinel then fired and the bullet struck the magazine of Weaver's gun, exploding it and infileting an ugly wound in his groin, from which he bed soon afterward. died soon afterward.

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AFTER.

A PROMINENT ALABAMA MAN CHARGED WITH

SHOOTING HIS STEPFATHER IN 1871. Mobile, Ala., June 28.-Colyer Hall, a well-known citizen of this county, was arrested yesterday at his home about ten miles north of Mabile and two miles from Cleveland Station, for the alleged murambea County, Pla., on June 19, 1871.

last quarter of a century and is a well-to-do

### ROLD ROBBERIES IN CHICAGO.

THE THURTEENTH OF THE SERIES TAKES PLACE WITHIN HALP A BLOCK OF A POLICE STATION.

Chicago, June 28.—The thirteenth of a regular se ries of store "hold-ups" which have been perpetrated est evening within half a block of the Harrison-s

Two men at 10 o'clock entered the shoe store Ruppert, at No. 196 Harrison-st, and with two re-volvers each compelled the cashier to empty his cash drawer and hand over its contents. The day's re-celpts were in the vault and only 30 was secured by the robbers. As soon as the two men got posses-sion of their plunder they can out of the store and dates a sile.

### DENMARK WILLING TO SELL.

COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED PURCHASE OF HER WEST INDIAN COLUMIES BY THIS COUNTRY

the St. Louis Convention, that the United States should purchase the Danish colonies in the West creates some sensation. It is believed that the Americans covet St. Thomas for a naval station.
The conscisus of spinion in Danien circles is the the Government is prepared to sell at a suitable price.

## TINPLATE MAKING IN PL YLVANIA.

A REPORT ON THE EXTENT OF THE INDUSTRY -A PREE-TRADE FALLACY.

dustrial Statistics has completed a report on the tinplate industry in Pennsylvania. It will show that there are eleven plants in the State, turning out what are known as black plates, and nineteen that buy the black plates and finish them by dipping or coating them with tin. All but two black plate manufactories one in Philadelphia and the other in Harrisburg—are located in Pittsburg and other parts of Western Pennsylvania. Pennmense cloud of dust which arose. A moment or searched, in accordance with the usual custom.

To St. John's Hospital in Long Island Cay.

To St. John's Hospital in Long Island Cay. and other parts of Western Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania has one-third of the black plate manufactories in America and over 50 per cent of their entire capacity. The concern at New-Castle is the largest in the world, the annual output being

000 boxes annually. The report will contain a description of timplate in America, by John Jarrett, an authority making in America, by John Jarrett, an authority on the subject. Last year there was turned out in Pennsylvania a total product of finished its and the plate of 103.75,595 pounds, the aggregate value of which was H.237,819 42. The total amount pail in wages was \$1,345,645 %. The report states, in refutation of the claim that a high tariff on tinplace would make the price of tin so high that the consumer could not afford to buy it, that tinplate and the articles made therefrom are selling today for less money than when the McKinley law went into effect.

## UNABLE TO AGREE ON WAGES.

Pittsburg, June 28.-After a long conference yes terday the timplate manufacturers and their workmen were unable to agree, and on Tuesday night all the tin mills will close pending a settlement. The manufacturers have asked for another conference on Thursday. About 10,000 men are concerned in the wages dispute in the tin mills of the country.

## ILLEGAL LOVEMAKING BY MAIL.

New-Orleans, June 28 .- A curious violation of the postal laws has come to light here. Postoffice Inspector Dice of this division received a complaint against Mrs. Sophie Hoffman, a widow, of Austin, Tex., charging that some time ago she beguiled a young man of another State by letter-writing to fall Photographs were exchanged in love with her. and marriage agreed upon. Probably unaware that and marriage agreed upon. Probably unaware that she was violating Section 234 of the Postal Laws, relative to using the mails for improper purposes, she requested her flancé to send ralirond fare and a sum for other necessary expenses so that enemight meet him and be married. The money was sent, and from that moment, the young man declares, he heard no more of her. The deceived men put the matter in the hands of the Postoffice authorities, and Mrs. Hoffman was arrested at Austin by Inspector Woods and is now in jail.

# POISONED BY EATING TOADSTOOLS.

Crown Point, Ind., June 28.—George Stanton and his family, of Chicago, ate a large quantity of toad-stools in mistake for mushrooms, which they gathered in the woods near here yesterday. One child is dead, and two others are not expected to live. The father and mother are also in a dangerous condition.

### BACCALAUREATE SERMON AT COLBY. Waterville, Me., June 28 Commencement at

Colby University began this forenoon with a baccaate sermon by ex-President Henry F. Robins of Rochester, N. Y. The theme of the speaker "Christian Optimism."

### KILLED IN A QUARREL OVER A CENT. Cincinnati, June 28.-Daniel Fisher was fatally stabled by Charles Hooper, of Youngstown, Penn. arly this morning in a quarrel over a cent. Fisher who owns a lunch stand, left Hooper in charge for an hour, and when he returned found his cash one cent short. A fight resulted, and Hooper seized a butcher knife and stabbed Fisher in the groin. He died on the way to the hospital.

## THE WORLD'S W. C. T. U. TO MEET.

HAVE PERISHED.

Wilkesbarre, Penn., June 28 .- An awful disas ter occurred at the Twin Shaft in Pittston, nine miles from here, to-day, in which it is estimated that nearly a hundred men were killed. The M. J. Lynott, Inside foreman; Alexander McCormick, fire boss; Robert Haston, machinist; Thomas Murphy, driver boss; Michael Costello, H. Kehoe, James Kehoe, James McDonald, Edward O'Brien, Michael Hughes, Edward Kilday, James Michael R. Gafney, Thomas Doing, Anthony Kane, J. W. Murphy, Owen Lee, Anthony Gordon, names cannot be learned until their relatives re-

is one of the largest in the district. It has two | had

and had hard work before them. Langan, how-

At 3 o'clock this morning the men in the engine instantly flashed upon them that a big fall had another sound." occurred, and as they rushed to the head of bell, and, knowing that some one was alive, the | to overpower the man, and that they were only engineer put speed on, and the carriage quickly | successful after a hard fight. reached the top. A man with his clothes term, and bleeding from numerous cuts, stangered out. He was Frank Sheridan, the water-carrier, who Gill and John Reichard, he had just reached the head of the slope when the fall occurred, and they were whirled about by the concussion like straws in a hurricane. Their two mules were killed, and they were all severely cut and bruised, but not seriously injured. When they recovered they groped their way to the foot of the shaft and were holsted to safety.

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As soon as Sheridan's story was told the fire a'arm was rung and the whole town turned out. The people of West Pitteton, although across the river from the shaft, were awakered by the concussion and were also soon on the scene. The first rescuing party went down the mine about 4:30, but was unable to do anything. The slope was found to be choked with a solid fail of rock to a point 600 feet from its foot, and a number of small falls from that spot to the head of the slope. The mine was still "working," and there was great danger of another fall at any time, so all efforts at rescue were postponed until a conference of the mine officials was held.

some hours, all the prominent miring men of the region being present. It was decided that the region being present. If was decided that the men had been caught in the lower part of the slope and in the No. 6 vein, and that there was little chance of finding them alive. It was thought also that it would be impossible to reach them in less than a week.

DISTRESSING SCENES ABOUT THE SHAFT. The scene around the mine was distressing. Fully 6,000 people have been gathered there since 6 o'clock this morning, the women crying and sobbing at times, again hopeful and trying to console their more distressed friends. Many of the poor creatures who have husbands, sons and brothers entombel have remained in one spot since they first reached the scene, refusing

spot since they first reached the scene, refusing all comfort.

The English-speaking miners entombed are the best in the district. They were especially engaged on account of the danger of the work, and are all men with families. Langan, the inside superintendent, is Mayor of Pittston; Lynott is a member of the Select Council, and McCormick is a school director of the city. The accident has cast a gloom over the entire valley and expressions of sympathy are heard everywhere. Numerous offers of assistance have been received. The mine is owned by the Newton Coal Company, composed of Philadelphia capitalists.

talists.

At 11 o'clock to-night a force of sixty men from neighboring coal colleries went into the shaft to aid the rescuers until they are relieved to-morrow morning. The men are all old and experi-

THE WORLD'S W. C. T. U. TO MEET.

Washington, June 28.—London advices received here state that the World's Women's Christian Temperance Union, of which Miss Frances E. Williard is president, will meet in Montreal, Canada, either next spring or next autumn. The following have been appointed delegates to the convention from Great Britain: Lady Henry Somerset, Miss Agnes Weston, Mrs. Hannah Whitail Smith, Miss Agnes Weston, Mrs. Ward Poole, Miss Mary Phillips and Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Hughes is a leading journalist in Wales. Miss Agnes Weston is known as "The Sailors' Friend." Last year she lodged 150,000 sailtors in homes that she has built at Portsmouth, Miss Mary Phillips is a wealthy Quaker lady of London.

At midnight, after looking over the situation carefully, the rescuing party decided that the best thing to do was to drive a gangway through the coal from the Clear Spring Collery adjoining into the Twin Shaft, when it is expected that it will be possible to locate the entombed men. The work was at once begun, and is being pushed with all the speed possible. Four shifts of men, each comprising five experienced miners and latorers, are employed in this task, which is expected to consume at least three or four days. In the work will be pushed by the rescuers in the fatal shaft also, it is now the opinion of the most able miners that it will take several days to find the entombed men, and that it is impossible to recover them sooner. midnight, after looking over the situation

# ENTOMBED IN A MINE SHAFT. SHOT DEAD BY A POLICEMAN

NEARLY A HUNDRED MEN BELIEVED TO MANY CONTRADICTORY STORIES TOLD ABOUT THE AFFAIR.

Thornton, the variety actor and song writer, brother. John, was arrested on the same charge and held in \$5,000 ball for trial. Thomas Thornton's wife, Agnes, was arrested on a charge of is yesterday's record in the Thornton family, and one would have to look a long time in polic

court annals to find its parallel. lives at No. 151 West Twenty-fifth-st., was going o'clock yesterday morning, a time when pedes-

and head houses were almost thrown off their | the builet went, I think, straight through his | in the surpliced chor. On his way home he atfeet by a tremendous shaking of the ground. It heart. He fell over on his face dead, without

The policeman then went on to tell of a fight two later there was a sharp ring at the engine. It was said that four pollcemen were required

shooting and the arrest was corroborated by fire on his wife, Melander, and also by Martin Jansen, thirty-one years old, of No. 209 Seventh-ave., who said that through her body. She screamed and fiel, pursued he was the man who shouled to the policeman by her husband. She ran into a hallow and from the opposite side of the street, and told turned to the left, but a locked door leading to him to arrest the Thorntons. It was also said the kitchen prevented her escape. Ronkey fired house, about 5 o'clock in the morning, John Thornton refused to talk to him at all.

## JOHN THORNTON'S STATEMENT.

The story told by John Thornton to the Magistrate was entirely different from that told by the others. He said that he was a bartender at the Howard House, in East New-York, and that yesterday was his day off. He told where he had passed his time, and said that he had come to New-York to see his brother. He said that he had waited at the Utah House, at Eighth-ave. and Twenty-fifth-st., from about 10 in the evening until after 2 o'clock in the morning in the he left there and started to walk through Twenty-fifth-st. He continued. "Part way up the block I saw two men fighting. I crossed over o them and found one was my brother 'Tom' and the other was this complainant. I etopped the fight, and then I saw this policeman coming. I told Tom' to run, and he started away in the direction of Eighth-ave. The policeman drew has policed at him as he ran. 'Tom' was been plated and fired at him as he ran. 'Tom' was direction of Eighth-ave. The policeman drew his pletol and fired at him as he ran. 'Tom' was shot through the back, and fell over on his face in the street in front of the Pequod Club. I ran up to him, and, lifting him from the ground, said: "Tom," are you hurt?" He did not reply, and I DEGINNING OF A WEEK'S CELEBRATION IN RICHthought that he was dead.

"Just then a policeman came up and arrested to save the policeman. There was no robbery, and I had nothing to do with the fight except to stop it. There was no trouble at all with the policeman. 'Tom' did not take his club, nor was anything said such as the policeman claims,"

of the dead man, Agnes Thornton, was arraigned for intoxication. She denied the charge, but was committed to the workhouse by the Magistrate, as he believed it unwise to allow her to go, as she might be wanted as a witness, and he was afraid that some one would pay her fine. It was said by the police that Agnes Thornton was the common law wife of the church was of prominence from all parts of the South. common-law wife of Thomas Thornton, and that

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## WOMAN KILLED BY A TORNADO. PLATT'S CAMPAIGN PLANS.

A CHURCH AND MANY OTHER BUILDINGS WRECKED IN KENTUCKY

Owensburg, Ky., June 28.-West Louisville, a ittle town near here, was struck by a tornado at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The house of C. L. Clark was wrecked, and Miss Pearl Hicks, who was visiting there, was instantly killed. Clark was knocked senseless and will die, St. Alphonsus's Catholic Church, in St. Joseph, was completely destroyed. A great many dwellngs and other buildings were wrecked or badly damaged. St. Joseph's Academy was destroyed. It is impossible to get a complete list of the in-

The cyclone struck the town not far from the clace where one struck in 1890, but did not explace where one struck in tend to the business part.

## A RAINY DAY IN CAMP.

IT WAS SOMEWHAT DREARY FOR THE GUARDSMEN AT PEEKSKILL.

MANY OF THEM SEEN ABOUT THE TOWN DUR ING THE DAY-FULL-DRESS EVENING PARADE

State Camp, Peckskill, June 28.-There was every to believe at gunfire this morning that the day was going to be pleasant, but within an hour it was raining, and there were showers at intervals This, of course, kept many people away, late in the afternoon a number of visitors formal their way into camp to see the evening

particularly when there is as little to be done as Consequently there were a good many of the rank and file who applied for passes and spent a part of the day wandering about Peekskill. found them all back in camp, ready for The weather conditions improved sufficiently to permit of full dress, but the wind, what there was of it, lingered in the

the Young Men's Christian Association tent, instead of on the bluff under the trees. crowded, Squadron A turning out largely to the services, which were conducted by Chaplain Charles De Witt Bridgman, of the 8th Regiment.

to-morrow. The infantry requirements are such that it will be possible to devote Thursday and Frirenears to regimental drills. The squadron we troop and squedron drill alternately with stal drill, the squadron being divided into six less for the purpose. The troopers will also a patrol and outpost duty. The mounted were used to-day as an extension of the out-

f the day to-morrow will be Captain of the day to-morrow will be Captain of the 5th Regiment, and the guard will be First Leutenant Ed-elly of the 5th Regiment, and Second W. Picard, of the 44th Separate

### COLLISION OF BICYCLISTS.

ONE IS KNOCKED FROM HIS WHEEL AND HAS HIS SKULL FRACTURED.

vesterday morning for the second time, and y-third-st, ran into William Cleary, of No.

## PATALLY BURT BY A TROLLEY-CAR.

A POURTHEN YEAR OLD BOY HAS BOTH HIS LEGS

will die. He had been to church, where he sang in the surpliced chor, on his way none he are tempted to jump on a moving tar, but missed his footing and fell. His less went under the car and the wheels of the "trailer" crushed them. He was dragged and injured internally. The boy was taken to St. John's Hospital, in Long Island City.

A SHOCKING MULDER AND A SUICIDE IN NEW LENDON, CONN.

ARREST OF AGNES THORNTON.

Allingham then told of the arrest of Agnes
Thornton, the wife of the dead man. He said

Volver here to-day. The couple had for some time that she came into the station a few minutes been employed in a laundry, he as foreman and she

The policeman's testimony in regard to the slept in a front room. Honkey removed a wire screen, then jumped through a window and opened

The first shot struck her in the breast and went

that when Coroner Dobbs called at the station- again, the second bullet taking effect in one of th woman's leas. The third shot struck her in the arm. She etill had strength to go up the stairs, where the fourth bullet was sent through her brain. where the fourth bullet was sent through her brain. She was found dead at the head of the stairs by tharry Douglass, who was sleeping upstairs and was coming down to investigate the shooting.

After killing his wife, Ronkey ran away, John Putton, a neighbor, saw him with the revolver in his hand as he shut the gate and went down the street. He went directly to his boarding place, where he releaded the revolver and put a bullet into his forchead near the left temple. As this did not cause instant death, he sent a ball into his

## FIRE IN A BIG MILL IN PATERSON.

Paterson, N. J., June 28 (Special) - The three-story brick mill of the J. C. Todd Machine Company, in ing until after 2 o'cleck in the morning in the lock in the date of the hope of seeing his brother, and that at that time be left there and started to walk through were discovered by the watchman in the upper cupied by Colling & Nolan, silk ribbon maninfacturers. Before the Fire Department arrived the fire had spread through the building and burst through the roof. Collins & No.an had \$35,000 worth

## CONFEDERATES IN REUNION.

MOND-SERVICES IN ST. PAUL'S CHURCH-

Richmond, Va., June 28-The exercises of Conme. At the station-house I was abused terribly. federate reunion week began this evening with a A whole crowd jumped on me and beat me and memorial service at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, tore my clothes. This charge is all trumped up where Jefferson Davis and Robert E. Lee warshipped during their residence in Richmond. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity. The pew which Mr. Davis occupied while a member of the congregation was draped in the Confederate oliceman. 'Tom' did not take his club, nor was nything said such as the policeman claims."

The Magistrate held John Thornton in \$5,000 | Carmichael, and there were with him in the chancel Rishop Chapers, of South Carolina, and Bish Peterkin, of West Virginia. Bishop Peterkin spoke

"THE BENEDICT."-(Advt.

AN EARLY CONVENTION IN HIS OWN IN-TEREST THE FIRST THING.

THE STATE MACHINE, NOT M'KINLEY'S ELECTION

# FOREMOST IN HIS THOUGHTS-AIMING

FOR THE SENATORSHIP-FAS-

[FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.] Albany, June 28 .- According to some of the lieutenants of Thomas C. Platt, the Republican State Committee, at its meeting in New-York City on July 7, may, under his orders, issue a call for the election of delegates to a Republican State convention, to be held the latter part of August or early in September-the place not specified, but Saratoga indicated. The convention, of course, would have for its aim the nominating of candidates for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, and the election of a State Committee authorized to pose, at least, as managing the political campaign of the Republican

party in this State the present year. In recent years the Republican State conventions have been held rather late, generally in the latter part of September, and one was held as late as the first week in October. Mr. Platt, wever, his supporters say, has the machinery of the Republican party at the present time so completely in his hands that he believes it would be to his interest to hurry up the election of they say, that there would be danger that the Republican voters of the State would wake up to the necessity of their putting the conduct of Mr. McKinley's campaign in this State into the hands of men about whose loyalty to him there ould be no doubt, men who would make the Presidential contest and not the State contest the chief matter of concern.

### THE STATE ALL HE CARES FOR Moreover, day after day the interest in the

contest for President will increase and become does not desire that National feeling should dominate State feeling, that the State contest should be subordinated to the National contest He has a keen interest in the State election, for his defeat at St. Louis. Thomas C. Platt is first in his thoughts and not William McKinone is to gain anything. Mr. McKinley may, in consequence of the determination of the Repub a lukewarm State Committee. But a good deal of the McKinley fervor, by dexterous management, if the State Committee continues to be a Platt committee, may be diverted into channels much more helpful to Platt and the State candidates than to Mr. McKinley himself as a candidate for President.

IF NOT CABINET OFFICER, THEN SENATOR. Mr. Platt believes that if he had nominated Treasury in case a Republican Administration That was the goal of his long effort to nominate nation, he understands clearly, shuts him out of any Cabinet place. What remains? The ofof United States Senator. If elected Senator he could go to Washington and play again the part he attempted to enact in 1881, when, as a United States Senator, he strove to compel President Garfield to grant to him and to Rosoe Conkling the right to name the Federal officlais in the State of New-York.

With the Republican, Democratic and Populist radile, of Woodsde, Long Island, was injured United States Senate, with no party having a terlay by a tradey-car, and it is said that he parties divided as they are at present in the edly sees a great chance "to hang up" Federal nominations made by President McKinley for the State of New-York, just as he and Conkling for a time "hung up" the nomination of William H. Robertson for Collector of the Port of New-York. Mr. Platt's followers say that he can greatly embarrass the McKinley Administration by an obstructive course as United States Senator. With the machinery of the Republican party in the State of New-York in his hands, with a Platt Governor possibly installed at Albany, he would demand consideration-and offices without limit-at the hands of the National

### Republican Administration. PLATTS WELL-LAID PLANS.

Mr. Platt's aims, therefore, in the approaching campaign are, first, to capture the Republican State convention; second, to capture the Republican State Committee, through whose hands & certain portion of the party's funds, not intrusted to Mr. Platt personally, find their way to the pockets of the chairmen of the Republican County Committees: third, to nominate a candidate for Governor who will be as completely in his control as Mr. Morton has been; and fourth, to nominate Republican candidates for Assemblymen who will

surely vote for him for United States Senator. Although Mr. Platt's alm to secure the nomination of Republican candidates for Assemblymen who will vote for him for United States Senator is mentioned last, it is not put in that position because it is the least of his intentions. On the contrary, it is the chief. But in the order of the execution of his plans this comes last. With & State Committee to manipulate the State and distribute financial assistance to candidates for Assemblymen, Mr. Platt would be in an excellent position for making a favorable advance canvass for United States Senator. He is a past master in the art of gaining a mortgage on a member of the Legislature by sending his personal check (the money behind it being collected from some one else) to a candidate for legislative honors. "to esist him in his canvass." And Mr. Platt has a merciful feeling about foreclosing the mort-

## ALREADY IN THE FIELD.

Mr. Platt already has made some preparations for "rounding up" the Assemblymen in his support for Senator, having had snap conventions called and held in four counties, Franklin, Warren, Fulton and Hamilton. In each one of these the delegates are already elected to the State Convention, and Mr. Platt reckons upon the support for Senator of the three men nominated for Assemblymen. It is peculiarly characteristic of Mr. Platt thus to have delegates to the State Con-Platt thus to have delegates to the State Convention elected before the convention has been called, and before public sentiment has had a chance to express itself. Mr. Platt's delegation from Franklin County already elected is headed by Frederick D. Kilburn, who was appointed Superintendent of the Bankling Department at Mr. Platt's dication. One can readily understand how Mr. Kilburn will vote upon any test question in which Mr. Platt is interested.

### THE GOVERNORSHIP One of the matters which Mr. Platt as "master

of the State" will settle at the meeting of the Republican State Committee on July 7 will be the Governorship. Mr. Platt, it is said, intends to get all the candidates together at that time and to say to them that in view of the active work being done by the McKinley Republicans to nominate a McKinley Republican for Governor, it is essential that there should be a concentration of the Platt Republicans upon some one man. And the dreadful conviction has lately come home to George W. Aldridge Archie E. Baxter, Francis Hendricks, Hamilton Fish, Timothy E. Ellsworth and Benjamin Odell, jr., who have imagined that